

CHAPTER 4.1.2

**WHITE SPOT DISEASE**

Article 4.1.2.1.

For the purpose of this *Code*, [susceptible host species for white spot disease virus are:] all decapod (Order Decapoda) crustaceans from marine, brackish water, or freshwater sources are potential hosts for white spot disease. White spot disease is potentially lethal to most commercially cultivated penaeid (Family Penaeidae) shrimps and prawns. Potential transfers of other decapod crustaceans from marine, brackish water or freshwater sources to white spot disease free zones should be subject to risk analysis when there is evidence from experimental challenge studies that one or more species in the importing country is susceptible to white spot disease.

Standards for diagnostic tests are described in the *Manual*.

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